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BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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STB Docket No. AB-852

GEORGIA & FLORIDA RAILNET, INC.

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Dated: February 9, 2005

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Comes now Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc. ("GFRR") and states as follows:

On April 9, 2003, pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.10-15, GFRR filed with the Board a narrative description of a rail line which GFRR intended would be the subject of an abandonment or discontinuance application and/or abandonment or discontinuance petition for exemption to be filed within a three-year period following the date upon which the subject narrative was filed with the Board. The subject line of railroad, known as the "Nashville Line," extends between milepost GF 30.6 at Valdosta, GA, and milepost GF 57.2 at Nashville, GA, a distance of 26.6 miles. GFRR designated that line as **Category 1**, meaning that the rail line could be the subject of an abandonment or discontinuance application or petition for exemption to be filed with the Board within three years of the date of the filing of this notice and narrative with the Board.

GFRR expects shortly to enter into an agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) whereby GDOT would

acquire title to the subject rail line for continued operation by GFRR.¹ Pursuant its understanding with GDOT, GFRR is withdrawing the previously filed System Diagram Map/Narrative Designation.

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¹ GDOT is filing a Petition for Declaratory Relief in STB FD No. 34665 seeking a ruling that it will not become a railroad common carrier by reason of its acquisition of the subject rail line. GFRR will retain an exclusive permanent, irrevocable easement for conducting rail service over the subject line.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, John D. Heffner, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Withdrawal was sent this 9th day of February by first class mail, postage pre-paid, to the following parties:

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Kirkpatrick & Lockhart LLP
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Washington, DC 20036-1800

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Georgia Department of Transportation
Office of Intermodal Programs
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BY HAND

April 9, 2003

Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

RE: STB Docket AB-NO. 852, Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc.
System Diagram Map

Dear Mr. Williams:


On behalf of Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc. ("Applicant"), a class III short line rail carrier, and pursuant to the Board's regulations at 49 CFR 1152.12, I am enclosing for filing in the above-captioned docket three copies of its System Diagram Map narrative.

Consistent with the Board's regulations, Applicant is simultaneously serving a copy of this narrative upon the Governor, the Georgia Public Service Commission, and the Georgia Department of Transportation which is the designated state agency for the State of Georgia.

Applicant has satisfied the Board's publication and posting requirements and is enclosing three copies of its affidavit of service and publication along with attached newspaper publication notices.

Please date stamp and return one copy of this letter for our files.

Sincerely yours,

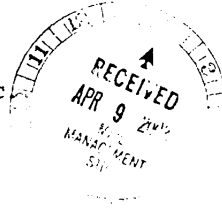

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Robert F. McKenney
Mr. Terry Hart
Hon. Sonny Perdue
Georgia Public Service Commission
Mr. Hal Wilson, GADOT

NOTICE OF GEORGIA & FLORIDA RAILNET, INC.
RAIL LINE CATEGORY 1 DESIGNATION



STB Docket No. AB-852

In STB Docket No. AB-852, Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc. ("GFRR") has filed with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") a narrative description of the following rail line which GFRR intends will be the subject of an abandonment or discontinuance application and/or abandonment or discontinuance petition for exemption to be filed within a three-year period following the date upon which the subject narrative is filed with the STB:

Line Description

1. Category: The line of railroad known as the "Nashville Line" extending between milepost GF 30.6 at Valdosta, GA, and milepost GF 57.2 at Nashville, GA, a distance of 26.6 miles, is to be designated as **Category 1**, in that the subject rail line is planned to be the subject of an abandonment or discontinuance application or petition for exemption to be filed with the STB within three years of the date of the filing of this notice and narrative with the STB. See, 49 CFR §1152, et seq. (generally) and 49 CFR 1152 Subpart B (specifically).
2. Carrier's Designation for the line: As listed in

section (1), above, the Nashville Line.

3. State in which the line is located: Georgia.
4. Counties in which the line is located: Atkinson, Berrien, Lanier, and Loundes Counties.
5. Mileposts delineating the line: As listed in section (1), above [extending between milepost GF 30.6 at Valdosta, GA, and milepost 57.2 at Nashville, GA].
6. Agency or terminal stations located on the line: None

GFRR will, at reasonable cost, furnish upon request of any interested person a copy of the above-described narrative.

Respectfully submitted, by



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April 9, 2003

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE AND PUBLICATION

OF


TERRY HART

Terry Hart, being duly deposed and sworn states as

follows:

On April 2, 2003, on behalf of Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc., I did cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in each county containing a Category 1 line [49 CFR 1152.10(b) (1)] a notice which included the information required to be published by a Class III railroad pursuant to 49 CFR 1152 Subpart B. Copies of such newspaper publication, and other proof of publication, are attached to this affidavit. Furthermore, I have served copies of the "Notice of Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc. - Rail Line Category 1 Designation" upon all parties designated in the Board's regulations at 49 CFR 1152.12 and have posted it as required by 49 CFR 1152.12(c) (2).

FURTHERMORE, Affiant Sayeth Not.


Terry Hart,
General Manager,
Georgia & Florida RailNet, Inc.

Saturday, April 5, 2003

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Legals/Valdosta

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
Notice is given that articles of incorporation which will incorporate Metro Water Supply Inc. have been delivered to the Secretary of State for filing in accordance with the Georgia Business Corporation Code (O.C.G.A. 14-2-201.1). The initial registered office of the corporation is located at 105 W. Central Ave., Valdosta, GA 31601, Lowndes County and its initial registered agent at such address is William D. Hefner.

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**NOTICE OF GEORGIA & FLORIDA
RAILNET, INC. RAIL LINE
CATEGORY 1 DESIGNATION**

STB Docket No. AB-850

In STB Docket No. AB-852, Georgia & Florida Railnet, Inc. ("GFR") has filed with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") a narrative description of the following rail line which GFR intends will be the subject of an abandonment or discontinuance application and / or abandonment of discontinuance petition for exemption to be filed within a three-year period following the date upon which the subject narrative is filed with the STB:

LINE DESCRIPTION

1. Category: The line of railroad known as the "Nashville Line" extending between milepost GF 30.6 at Valdosta, GA, and milepost GF 57.2 at Nashville, GA, a distance of 26.6 miles, is to be designated as Category 1. In that the subject rail line is planned to be in subject of and abandonment of discontinuance application or petition for exemption to be filed with STB within three years of the date of the filing this notice and narrative with the STB. See 49 CFR §1152, et seq. (generally) and 49 CFR 1152 Subpart B (specifically).

2. Carrier's Designations for the line: As listed in section (1), above, the Nashville Line.
3. State in which the line is located: Georgia.
4. Counties in which the line is located: Atkinson, Berrien, Lanier, and Lowndes Counties.
5. Mileposts delineating the line: As listed in section (1), above [extending between milepost GF 30.6 at Valdosta, GA and milepost 57.2 at Nashville, GA].
6. Agency or terminal stations located on the line: None

GFR will, at reasonable cost, furnish upon request of any interested person a copy of the above-described narrative.

Respectfully submitted, by
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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF
LOWNDES COUNTY
State of Georgia**

Sheldon Eugene Irvin,
Plaintiff

vs.

Taquita C. Nelson;
Defendant
Civil Action No.: 2003-CVD-935

Notice Of Summons

To Taquita C. Nelson, Defendant
Above Named:

You are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking legitimization and custody of your minor children was filed against you in said Court on April 2, 2003 and that by reason of an Order for Service of Summons by Publication entered by the Court and serve upon FLOYD B. MOON, plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 866, Valdosta, GA 31603, and answer to the Complaint within sixty (60) days of the Order for Service by Publication. Witness The Honorable H. Arthur McNamee, Judge of Said Court.

This the 2nd day of April, 2003.

Sara L. Crow
Clerk of Superior Court Lowndes
County, Georgia

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28316724NOTICE TO DEBTORS
AND CREDITORSSTATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF LOWNDESIN RE: ESTATE OF HARVEY
SIMMONS, JR.

All creditors of the Estate of Harvey Simmons, Jr., deceased, late of Lowndes County, Georgia, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said Estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned Administrator.

This the 12th day of March, 2003.

Christa Simmons
Administrator of the Estate of
Harvey Simmons, JR.
811 West Mary Street
Apartment B-6
Valdosta, Georgia 31601

Address of Counsel:
Doris Carter Powell
Attorney at Law
105 East Adair Street
Post Office Box 1933
Valdosta, Georgia 31603
228-247-4617
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NOTICE TO DEBTORS
AND CREDITORSSTATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF LOWNDES

IN RE: ESTATE OF MARIAN P.

Legals/Valdosta

NOTICE TO DEBTORS
AND CREDITORSSTATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF LOWNDESIN RE: ETHEL MONTINE MITCHELL
DECEASED

All creditors of the estate of ETHEL MONTINE MITCHELL, Deceased, of said county, are hereby notified to render their demands to undersigned according to law, and persons indebted to said estate required to make immediate payment to me.

This 14th day of March, 2003.

HOLLY DECKER
Executor of Estate of
ETHEL MONTINE MITCHELL,
Deceased
8539 Cowart Circle
Mableton, Georgia 31832

Floyd B. Moon
Attorney at Law
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PO Box 866
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO
CHANGE NAMESTATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF LOWNDES

Notice is hereby given that Mildred Overman Baker, the undersigned, has petitioned to the Superior Court Lowndes County, Georgia, on the 1 day of March, 2003 praying for change in the name of the petition from Mildred Overman Baker to Mildred Carolyn Overman. Notice hereby given pursuant to law to interested or affected party to appear in said Court and to file objections such name change. Objections must be filed with said Court within 30 days of the filing of said petition.

This 12th day of March, 2003.

Mildred Overman Baker
Petitioner

William S. Steinberg
Attorney for Petitioner
Coleman, Talley, Newbern, Kurie
Preston & Holland, LLP
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NOTICE

GEORGIA, LOWNDES COUNTY
PROBATE COURT

The petition of Linda G. Dennis, to your support from the estate of Charles F. Dennis, Sr., deceased, decedent's (surviving spouse), have been duly filed, all interested persons are hereby notified to show cause any they have, on or before April 2003, why said petition should not be granted.

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THE VALDOSTA DAILY TIMES

P.O. Box 968
Valdosta, Georgia 31603

AFFIDAVIT

I, Sandy Sanders, Advertising Director, do hereby certify that the legal
advertisement(s) for Notice of the + the Railroad Inc were published in
The Valdosta Daily Times on 4/15/03. Subscribed and sworn
to me, in the County of Lowndes in the State of Georgia on this 7th
day of April 2003.

Edith Dae Smith
Notary Signature

Sandy Sanders
Advertising Director

Notary Public, Lowndes County, Georgia
My Commission Expires May 1, 2004

Commission Expires

Notary Public Seal:

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